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Department of Community Services



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County Citizens"

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Melinda Craig and the Department of Community Services Recognize Volunteers

Bel Air, MD – Melinda Craig, wife of Harford County Executive David Craig, along with Harford County Department of Community Services Director, Elizabeth Hendrix, recently honored volunteers during the annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony. The Volunteer Recognition Ceremony was held at the McFaul Activity Center in Bel Air. The ceremony included speakers Ms. Hendrix and Office on Aging Administrator Karen Winkowski, lunch and entertainment provided by the group "Confusion."

"Volunteering is a profound indicator of a community's strength and connection," stated Mrs. Craig. "We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful network of citizens willing to share their time and talents."

More than 100 volunteers give over 5,600 hours of service to the six senior activity centers in Harford County per year. Volunteers perform various duties such as teaching classes, processing registrations, data entry, front desk reception/greeters, nutrition assistance, programming assistance and much more.

"Each of our volunteers has unique gifts to share and they greatly contribute to our centers," stated Hendrix. "They each play an essential role in the success of our programs and activities."

Maryland ranks 6^{th} in the nation with an average of 45.7 volunteer hours per resident.

For more information on the Harford County Office on Aging and the senior activity centers, visit www.harfordcountymd.gov/services/aging. For more information on volunteering in Harford County, visit www.volunteerharford.org or call 410-638-3389.

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